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Esters Containing §  
Hydroxypropylguar §  
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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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## AMENDMENTS

Sir: Please make the specified amendments add the following new claims and proceed with the national examination procedures under 35 USC 3.71.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.